

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2014-399-WS

Joint Application of Carolina Water Service, Inc.; United Utility Companies, Inc.; Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc.; and Southland Utilities, Inc. for Approval of Transfer of Stock and Merger

Carolina Water Service, Inc. ("CWS"), United Utility Companies, Inc. ("United"), Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. ("USSC"), and Southland Utilities, Inc. ("Southland") have filed a Joint Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") for approval of the transfer of the stock and subsequent merger, and the related transfer of water and sewer facilities, territories, customers and certificates of public convenience and necessity of United, USSC and Southland to CWS, the surviving entity. The Application was filed pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-504 and 103-704. If the instant Application is approved, Utilities, Inc., the sole owner of the consolidated entity, will continue to provide management, operations, and financing support services to CWS. Also, CWS will operate each of the subject water and sewer systems according to rate schedules currently approved by the Commission, until otherwise ordered by the Commission.

A copy of the companies' Application can be found on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under Docket No. 2014-399-WS. Additionally, a copy of the application is available from the office of Charles L. A. Terreni, Esquire, TERRENI LAW FIRM, L.L.C. and Scott Elliott, Esquire, Elliott & Elliott, PA, 1508 Lady Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission located at 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **November 14, 2014**. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2014-399-WS and mail a copy to all other parties in this docket.*** Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the company at the above address, on or before **November 14, 2014**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2014-399-WS.***

For the most recent information regarding this docket, please refer to www.psc.sc.gov and ***Docket No. 2014-399-WS.***

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